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FILING OF SUBSTITUTE DECLARATION

Attached is a Substitute Declaration for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified patent application. The Substitute Declaration is being filed because the date of the German Priority Application No. 199 48 587.9, was inadvertently entered as "October 10, 1999", instead of the correct date, which is --October 8, 1999--.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Please associate this Declaration with the application as filed on October 6, 2000 and assigned serial number 09/680,436.

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